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TITLE	HAROLD CARL'S	TRUCK		CHARACTER OF CASE IOYALTY OF EMPLOYEES OF UNITED NATIONS — INTERNATIONALLY RECRUITED

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

Dr. CARL C. PFEIFFER, M.D., School of Pharmacology, Emory University, Atlanta, Ga., in signed statement advises that he knows Dr. HAROLD CARL STRUCK to have a psychiatric defect of homosexuality and to be subject to infrequent epileptic seizures "in spite of heavy doses of phenobarbital". Dr. PFEIFFER alleges that Dr. STRUCK, while on staff of Medical School, Temple University, 1947-48, took an overdose of barbiturates because of despondency over a homosexual love affair and while befuddled with barbiturates, before the student nurses and medical students in the Medical School, STRUCK allegedly proceeded to tell all regarding his homosexual love affair. PFEIFFER alleges this resulted in STRUCK's being dismissed from the staff at Temple University Medical School, Philadelphia, Pa

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REFERENCE:

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*mandatory that he be discharged from Temple University and he was successful in obtaining a job at Creighton University Medical School.

"My informant regarding the Temple University proceedings was Professor A. E. LIVINGSTON who is now at the School of Pharmacy, St. Johns University, Brooklyn, New York. He was, needless to say, quite angry that Dr. STRUCK had come from Illinois and produced a sizeable scandal at Temple University.

"In addition to this psychiatric defect of homosexuality, Dr. STRUCK has been hard of hearing since 1945 and would not wear a hearing aid while at Illinois. He also was subject to infrequent epileptic seizures in spite of heavy doses of phenobarbital.

"Because of the above stated incidents I do not feel that I could reasonably recommend him for a position of trust and confidence.

/s/"CARL C. PFEIFFER, M.D.
"CARL C. PFEIFFER, M. D.

"Witnessed: /s/"EDWARD T. KASSINGER, Special Agent. "F.B.I., Atlanta, Ga."

Dr. PFEIFFER concluded the interview by stating that he considered STRUCK to be a loyal United States citizen but did feel that because of the psychiatric defect of homosexuality that STRUCK could not safely be placed in a position of having access to confidential data inasmuch as Dr. PFEIFFER felt that Dr. STRUCK would be readily susceptible to any pressures brought on Dr. STRUCK due to this defect of homosexuality.

At this point in the interview Dr. PFEIFFER dictated the following signed statement to his secretary, stating that he felt that this statement best expressed his knowledge of the psychiatric defect of homosexuality on the part of Dr. STRUCK and Dr. PFEIFFER's feeling that Dr. STRUCK, therefore, should not be placed in a position of trust and confidence.

"November 2, 1954

"I, DR. CARL C. PREIFFER, wish to furnish the following information concerning HAROLD CARL STRUCK to EDWARD T. KASSINGER, Special Agent of the Federal Bureau of Investigation. I prefer not to testify in any hearing which might be held concerning this matter insomuch as I feel the information that has come to my attention is second-hand and the informant, Dr. AIFRED E. LIVINGSTON, is still living and could testify directly.

"During the years 1945-46 Dr. STRUCK was an Assistant Professor in our Department of Pharmacology at the University of Illinois School of Medicine. Because of my newness in the department I had Dr. STRUCK work for me for a period of one year in order to determine his fitness as an instructor. (At that time I was the newly appointed head of the Department of Pharmacology.) After one year's trial it was obvious to me that Dr. STRUCK was not of the caliber desired in our department and I therefore, in accord with the dean's agreement, gave him one year in which to find another job. He was personally interviewed by Dr. EDWARD LARSON, formerly of Temple University Medical School and now at the University of Miami, and on the basis of this interview and a noncommital recommendation from me he was hired by Temple University Medical School to work in their Department of Pharmacology. He assumed his duties there during the summer of 1947. While there, during the school year 1947-48, he took an overdose of barbiturates because of despondency over a homosexual love affair. (While at Illinois I had no knowledge of his homosexual activities although other men such as Dr. C. I. REED, University of Illinois knew of this aspect of his private life and told me later.) While under the influence of barbiturates he was taken to the Temple University Hospital. While befuddled with barbiturates, before the student nurses and medical students, he proceeded to tell all regarding his homosexual love affair. This made it

HAROLD CARL STRUCK LOYALTY OF EMPLOYEES OF UNITED NATIONS INTERNATIONALLY RECRUITED

Atlanta, Georgia November 4, 1954

RESULTS OF INVESTIGATION

Dr. CARL C. PFEIFFER, M.D., Professor and Chairman of the School of Pharmacology, Emory University, Atlanta, Ga., was interviewed on November 2, 1951. Dr. PFEIFFER advised that he had formerly been head of the Department of Pharmacology, University of Illinois. Dr. PFEIFFER advised that during the school year 1945-46, when he had been newly appointed to this position as head of the Department of Pharmacology, University of Illinois, he felt it necessary to call on Dr. HAROID CARL STRUCK, an assistant professor in that department, for assistance inasmuch as Dr. STRUCK had been affiliated with the School of Pharmacology over a period of a good many years. Dr. PFEIFFER stated that not long after the beginning of the school year, 1945-46, it came to his attention that Dr. STRUCK had put notations on a considerably large percentage of examination papers turned in by students, a notice to the individual student that the particular paper indicated that the student did not have an understanding of the material covered and that the student should personally confer with Dr. STRUCK. Dr. PFEIFFER said that when this came to his attention he considered it to be a usurpation by Dr. STRUCK of the duties of the department head, namely PFEIFFER, in that it was an academic policy for a department head to confer with any student who was not satisfactorily completing his study courses and not for such a conference to be handled by subordinates such as Dr. STRUCK. At the time Dr. PFEIFFER explained, he considered the afore-mentioned behavior of Dr. STRUCK towards the students as being an administrative delinquency on the part of Dr. STRUCK and indicative of other administrative and academic deficiencies which he had noted in connection with his observation of Dr. STRUCK as a staff member of the School of Pharmacology. As a result Dr. PFEIFFER stated that he gave Dr. STRUCK a "year's notice", as a result of which Dr. STRUCK subsequently resigned from the staff of the School of Pharmacology, University of Illinois, and obtained a position on the medical staff of the Temple University, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dr. PFEIFFER stated, however, that in retrospect, and since learning that STRUCK was a homosexual he felt that the afore-mentioned manner of STRUCK in grading papers of students was not solely an administrative or academic failing on the part of STRUCK although he admittedly had no positive manner of explaining such actions by STRUCK.